



December 6, 2013

**VIA ELECTRONIC FILING**

Ms. Jocelyn Boyd  
Chief Clerk and Administrator  
South Carolina Public Service Commission  
101 Executive Center Dr., Suite 100  
Columbia, SC 29210

Dear Ms. Boyd:

Re: Filing of Quarterly Monitoring Report by Piedmont Natural Gas Company, Inc.  
Pursuant to S.C. Code §58-5-430  
Docket No. 2013-7-G

Pursuant to Section 58-5-430 of the South Carolina Natural Gas Rate Stabilization Act, enclosed is the quarterly monitoring report for the twelve-month period ending September 30, 2013, for Piedmont Natural Gas Company, Inc.

If you have any questions about this filing, you may reach me at 704-731-4148.

Sincerely,

s/ Robert L. Thornton  
Robert L. Thornton  
Director – Gas & Regulatory Accounting

Enclosures

c: ORS – Carey Stites  
ORS – Tom Allen  
Courtney Dare Edwards  
James H. Jeffries IV

Net Operating Income and Rate of Return  
For The Twelve Months Ended September 30, 2013  
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	<u>Per Filing</u>	<u>Accounting And Pro Forma Adjustments</u>	<u>After Pro Forma Adjustments</u>
Operating Revenues			
Sale of Gas	\$ 138,572,248	\$ 15,293,290	\$ 153,865,538
Other Operating Revenues	877,618	-	877,618
Total Operating Revenue	<u>\$ 139,449,866</u>	<u>\$ 15,293,290</u>	<u>\$ 154,743,156</u>
Operating Expenses			
Cost of Gas	\$ 69,960,296	\$ 15,920,973	\$ 85,881,269
Other Operation & Maintenance	26,585,585	(665,126)	25,920,459
Depreciation	11,086,335	1,088,902	12,175,237
General Taxes	5,805,356	(92)	5,805,264
State Income Taxes	1,403,002	(392,293)	1,010,709
Federal Income Taxes	6,856,583	(158,171)	6,698,412
Amort. of ITC	(28,770)	-	(28,770)
Total Operating Expenses	<u>\$ 121,668,387</u>	<u>\$ 15,794,193</u>	<u>\$ 137,462,580</u>
Net Operating Income	\$ 17,781,479	\$ (500,904)	\$ 17,280,575
Interest on Customer Deposits	(109,446)	-	(109,446)
Amortization of Debt Redemption Premium	-	-	-
AFDUC	426,179	-	426,179
Customer Growth	122,692	(3,456)	119,236
Net Operating Income For Return	<u>\$ 18,220,905</u>	<u>\$ (504,360)</u>	<u>\$ 17,716,545</u>
Original Cost Rate Base			
Plant in Service	\$ 449,573,918	\$ -	\$ 449,573,918
Accumulated Depreciation	(187,930,138)	-	(187,930,138)
Net Plant in Service	\$ 261,643,780	\$ -	\$ 261,643,780
Add:			
Construction Work in Progress	5,812,862	-	5,812,862
Materials and Supplies	11,494,177	-	11,494,177
Cash Working Capital	3,088,135	(83,141)	3,004,994
Deduct:			
Customer Advances for Construction	-	-	-
Customer Deposits	2,766,610	-	2,766,610
Accumulated Deferred Income Taxes	59,213,252	-	59,213,252
Unclaimed Funds	111,137	-	111,137
Total Original Cost Rate Base	<u>\$ 219,947,955</u>	<u>\$ (83,141)</u>	<u>\$ 219,864,814</u>
Return on rate base	<u>8.28%</u>		<u>8.06%</u>

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	After Accounting and Proforma Adjustments								
	Per Books Capitalization	Accounting and Pro Forma Adjustments	Settlement Capitalization	Calculated Ratio %	* Agreed to Ratio %	Cost Net Investment	Embedded Cost %	Overall Cost Rate %	Net Operating Income
1. Long-Term Debt	\$ 1,161,179,818	\$ -	\$ 1,161,179,818	49.52%	47.00%	\$ 103,336,463	4.90%	2.30%	\$ 5,063,487
2. Common Equity	1,183,898,890	-	1,183,898,890	50.48%	53.00%	116,528,352	10.86%	5.75%	12,653,058
3. Total	<u>\$ 2,345,078,708</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 2,345,078,708</u>	<u>100.00%</u>	<u>100.00%</u>	<u>\$ 219,864,815</u>		<u>8.06%</u>	<u>\$ 17,716,545</u>

\*Note: Based on Agreement, the Common Equity Ratio will not fall below 53% or go above 57% and the Long-Term Debt Ratio will not fall below 43% or go above 47%

# CERTIFICATION

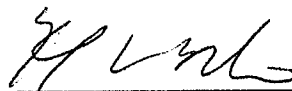
I, Thomas E. Skains and Karl W. Newlin, state and attest, under penalty of perjury, that the attached Quarterly Monitoring Report is filed on behalf of Piedmont Natural Gas Company, Inc. as required by the Public Service Commission of South Carolina; That I have reviewed said report and, in the exercise of due diligence, have made reasonable inquiry into the accuracy of the information and representations provided therein; and that, to the best of my knowledge, information and belief, all information contained therein is accurate and true and contains no false, fictitious, fraudulent or misleading statements; that no material information or fact has been knowingly omitted or misstated therein, and that all information contained therein has been prepared and presented in accordance with all applicable South Carolina general statutes, Commission rules and regulations, and applicable Commission Orders. Any violation of this Certification may result in the Commission initiating a formal earnings review proceeding.



Thomas E. Skains  
President and CEO

12-5-13

Date Signed



Karl W. Newlin  
Senior Vice President and CFO

Dec. 5, 2013

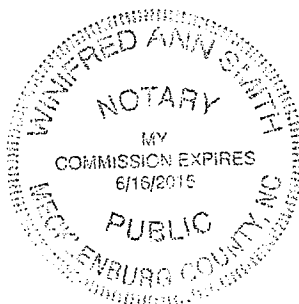
Date Signed

Subscribed and Sworn to before me this

5<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2013.

  
Notary Public

My Commission Expires 6/16/2015.



## **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

The undersigned hereby certifies that a copy of the attached *Quarterly Monitoring Report* is being served this date via email and UPS Overnight upon:

Courtney Dare Edwards  
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And that a copy of the attached *Quarterly Monitoring Report* is being served this date via email or U.S. Mail upon:

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and

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This the 6th day of December, 2013.

s/ Scott M. Tyler  
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